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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 2:20-cr-00005-SMJ

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER SETTING HEARING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE

MONICA PESINA, (01), NICHOLAS SEAN CARTER, (02),

Defendants.

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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the current status of Benton and Yakima Counties in the phased Safe Start plan announced by Washington Governor Jay Inslee, the Court has determined it is in interests of justice to conduct the Pretrial Conference in this matter remotely. As such, consistent with Eastern District of Washington General Order 20-101-3, the **Pretrial Conference**, **ECF No. 51**, currently set for June 11, 2020, is **STRICKEN** and **RESET** to **June 11, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.** by videoconference from Richland Courtroom 189 to the Benton County Jail before Judge Salvador Mendoza, Jr. Defendants' presence for the videoconference will be arranged with the facility where Defendants are

In light of the ongoing public health crisis caused by the outbreak of the

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incarcerated.

IF EITHER DEFENDANT, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH DEFENSE COUNSEL, DOES NOT CONSENT TO THE HEARING BEING CONDUCTED BY VIDEOCONFERENCE, DEFENDANT SHALL FILE A NOTICE SO INDICATING AND SHALL REQUEST THE FORM OF RELIEF DEFENDANT DEEMS APPROPRIATE BY NO LATER THAN THREE DAYS AFTER THE ENTRY OF THIS ORDER. *Id.* § 15002(b)(4). Prior to filing any such objection, Defendant shall confer with counsel for the Government and state the Government's position in his or her objection.

ALL PARTIES MUST READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY, AS IT PROVIDES IMPORTANT GUIDANCE CONCERNING THE MANNER IN WHICH THE HEARING IS TO BE CONDUCTED.

A. Hearing Information

Hearing content provided via videoconference access MUST NOT be recorded or rebroadcast. Non-parties may call the Court's public conference line at 1-888-808-6929, Access code 7286684 (no security code required), five minutes before the scheduled conference time. Case participants will be provided with separate call-in details by private email from the Court's staff to use for this videoconference.

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B. Exhibits

Any party intending to present exhibits at the hearing shall ensure the exhibits are digitized in a manner compatible with remote presentation. Specifically, counsel shall compile all documents into a **single, combined PDF file** and ensure each page within the document is consecutively numbered.

In civil cases, the Plaintiff(s) shall consecutively number exhibits from 1 through 499 and Defendant(s) shall consecutively number exhibits from 500 through 999. In criminal cases, the Government shall consecutively number exhibits from 1 through 999. In single-defendant criminal cases, Defendant shall consecutively number exhibits from 1000 through 1999; in multi-defendant criminal cases, Defendants shall consecutively number exhibits from x000 to x999, substituting "x" for each Defendant's assigned case identifier (e.g., Defendant 3 would number exhibits from 3000 to 3999, etc.).

Any exhibit not compatible with the PDF file format (e.g., an audio or video file) must be presented in a readily accessible file format using software commonly available (e.g., .mp4 for video files, and .mp3 for audio files). Each non-PDF file must be clearly identified by its file name. The Government shall name each such file "Government xxxx," substituting "xxxx" with the number that follows the number assigned to the last exhibit in the combined PDF file. The Plaintiff shall name each such file "Plaintiff xxxx" with "xxxx" replaced by the number following

the number assigned to the final exhibit in the combined PDF file. The Defendant shall name each such file "Defendant xxxx," substituting "xxxx" with the number following the number assigned to the last exhibit in the combined PDF file.

Each party shall also submit a list of exhibits the party intends to introduce at the hearing. The parties shall provide their exhibit list in the following format:

Ex. #	Admitted	Description
1		Photograph of items seized
2		Aerial video surveillance from 1/1/2011.
		Start Time: 01:03:23
		End Time: 01:09:54

Exhibit lists shall include a unique exhibit number and a brief description of the exhibit. For all exhibits consisting of an audio or video file, the exhibit list must designate the precise beginning and ending time indexes of the portion of the file the party intends to use at trial.

EACH PARTY'S DIGITIZED EXHIBITS AND EXHIBIT LIST SHALL BE PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY TO (1) ALL OTHER PARTIES, (2) ANY WITNESS WITH WHOM THE PARTY ANTICIPATES USING THE EXHIBIT, AND (3) THE COURT BY EMAIL TO MendozaOrders@waed.uscourts.gov BY NO LATER THAN SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED HEARING.

Parties experiencing technical difficulties with digitizing exhibits or electronically delivering them as described above may contact the Court's help desk

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by email at HelpDesk@waed.uscourts.gov or by phone at (509) 458-3421.

C. Witnesses

Any party intending to present the testimony of a witness, including that of a party, shall be responsible for arranging the witness's access to the technology necessary to present their testimony (i.e., a suitable computer with high-speed internet connection, video camera, and microphone) in coordination with the District's IT professional. To ensure the Court and its staff have adequate opportunity to prepare for the hearing, any party wishing to present the testimony of a witness at the hearing shall so notify the courtroom deputy, and contact the Court's help desk by email at HelpDesk@waed.uscourts.gov or by phone at (509) 458-3421, by **no later than seven days** prior to the scheduled hearing.

Also, by **no later than seven days** prior to the scheduled hearing, each party shall file and serve a list of witnesses that party intends to call to testify at the hearing. In criminal matters, the witness list must identify the existence, but need not include the name, of any confidential informant the Government intends to call to testify. Each party shall email copies of their witness list to the Court at MendozaOrders@waed.uscourts.gov.

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D. Sealed Hearings

Any party who anticipates requesting to seal all or part of any hearing shall so notify the courtroom deputy by **no later than seven days** prior to the scheduled hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk's Office is directed to enter this Order and provide copies to all counsel, the U.S. Probation Office, and the U.S. Marshals Service.

DATED this 27th day of May 2020.

SALVADOR MENDOZA, JR.

United States District Judge